

# The NASA IVHM Technology Experiment for X-37

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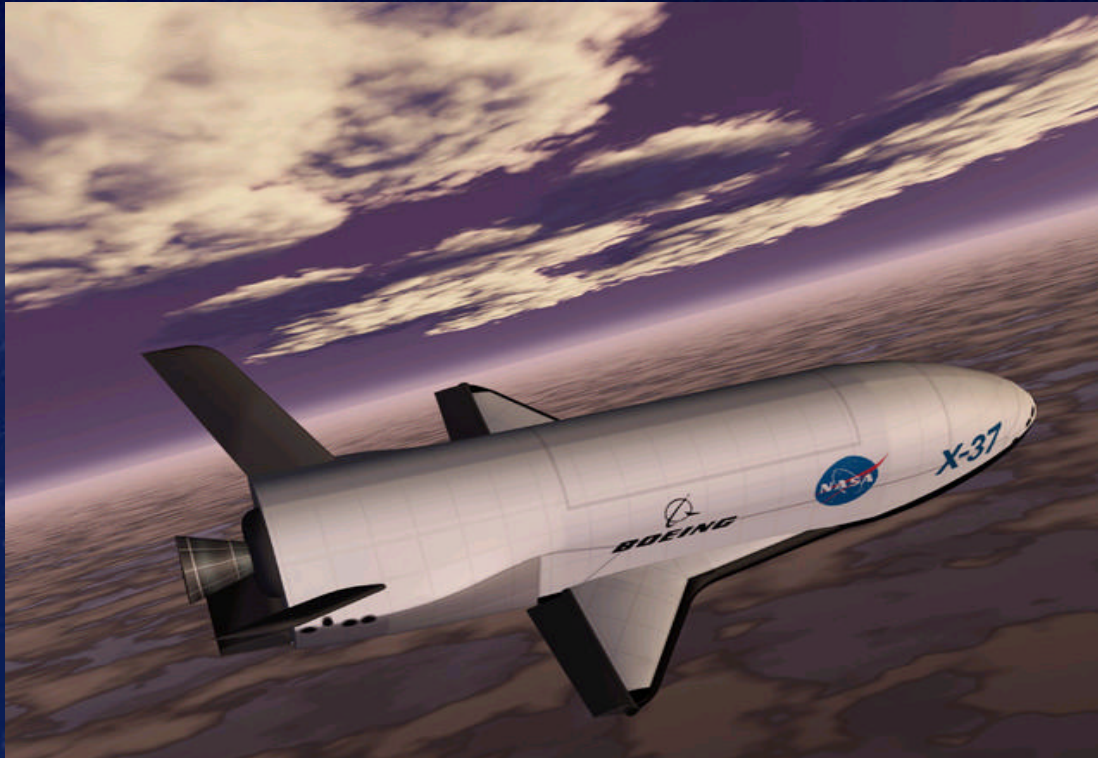


- ◆ **Long-term goal: Reduce cost and increase reliability of space transportation**
- ◆ **Demonstrate benefits of in-flight IVHM to the operation of a Reusable Launch Vehicle**
- ◆ **Advance this IVHM technology to Technology Readiness Level ~7 within a flight environment**
- ◆ **Operate IVHM software on the Vehicle Management Computer**

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## **Technology Goals and Objectives**



- ◆ **Unpiloted**
- ◆ **Reusable**
- ◆ **27.5 feet long**
- ◆ **Mission:**
  - **launch from Shuttle's cargo bay**
  - **orbit Earth 21 days**
  - **De-orbit and land on runway autonomously**
- ◆ **First flight in 2002**
- ◆ **Being built by Boeing for NASA MSFC**

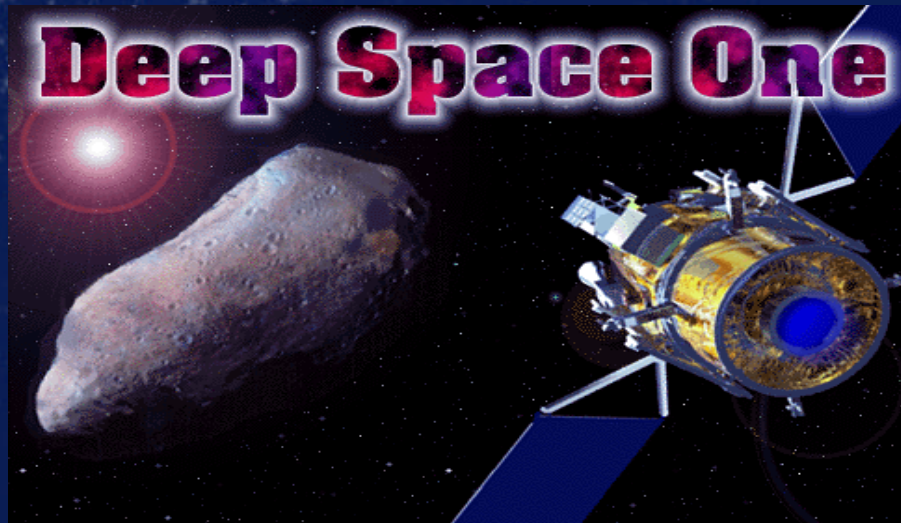
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# Background: X-37





- ◆ Livingstone automates system-level fault diagnosis
- ◆ Qualitative, Model-based Reasoning
  - Searches system-wide interactions to detect and isolate failures
  - Eliminates 'hardwiring' pre-defined set of failures
  - Updating and verifying the model is straightforward
  - Streamlines development and maximizes code reusability
- ◆ Accomplishment: Successfully flown on Deep Space One
- ◆ Also scheduled to fly on X-34



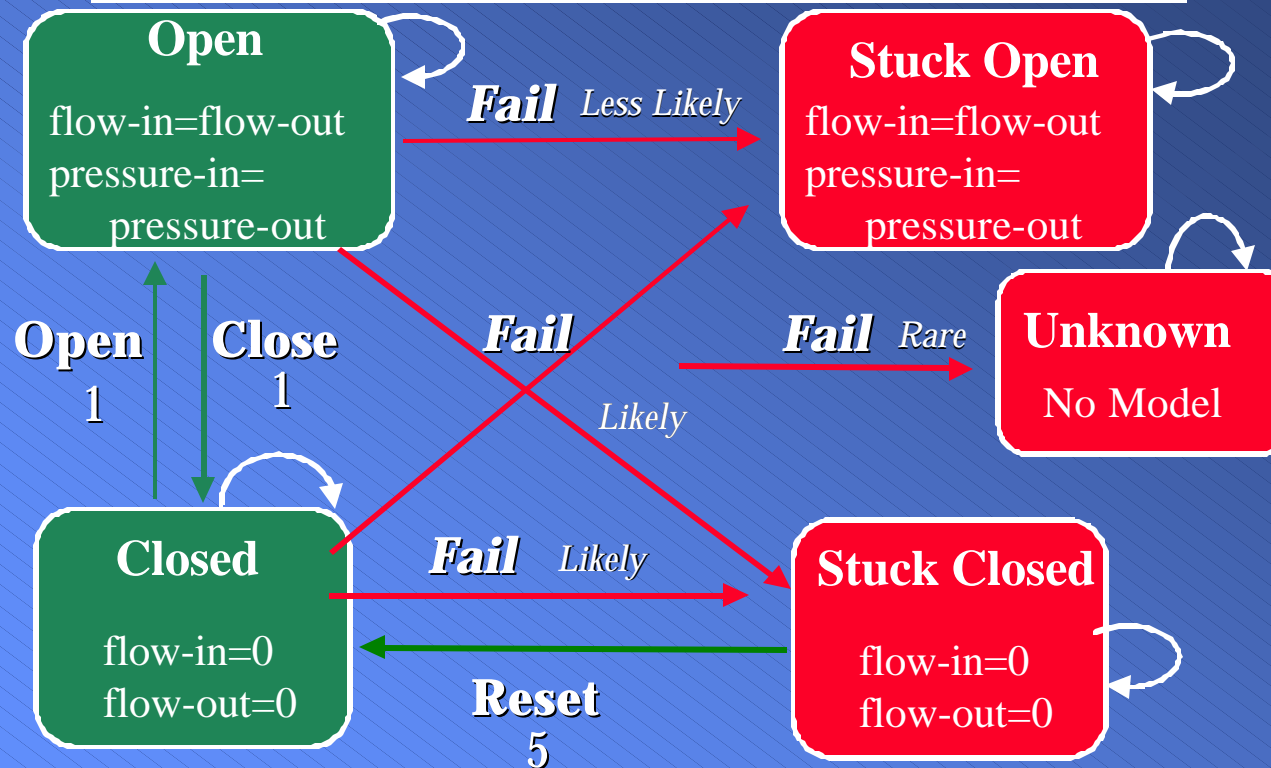
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**Background: Livingstone**





## Livingstone Valve Model



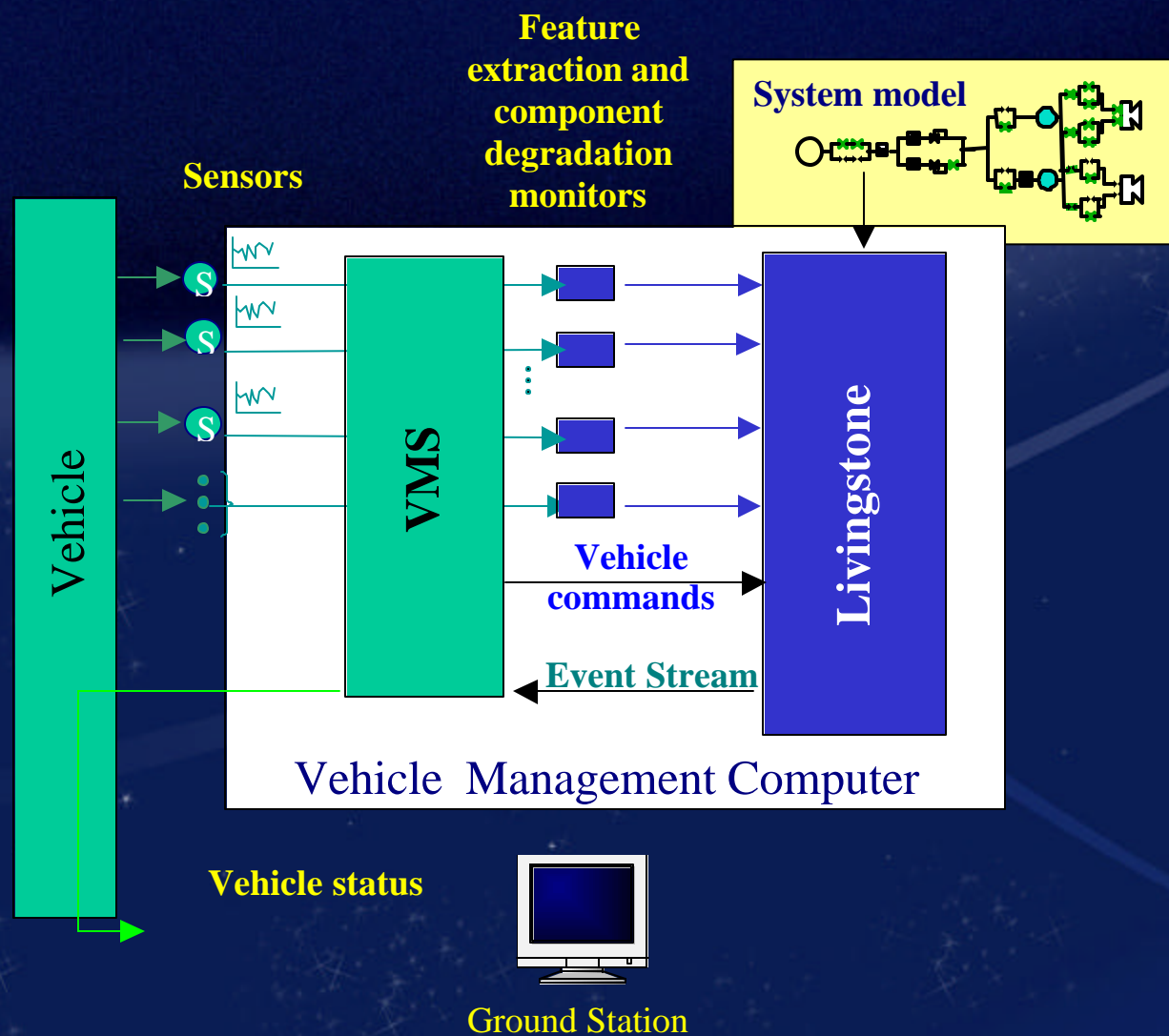
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# Livingstone Model Example from DS-1





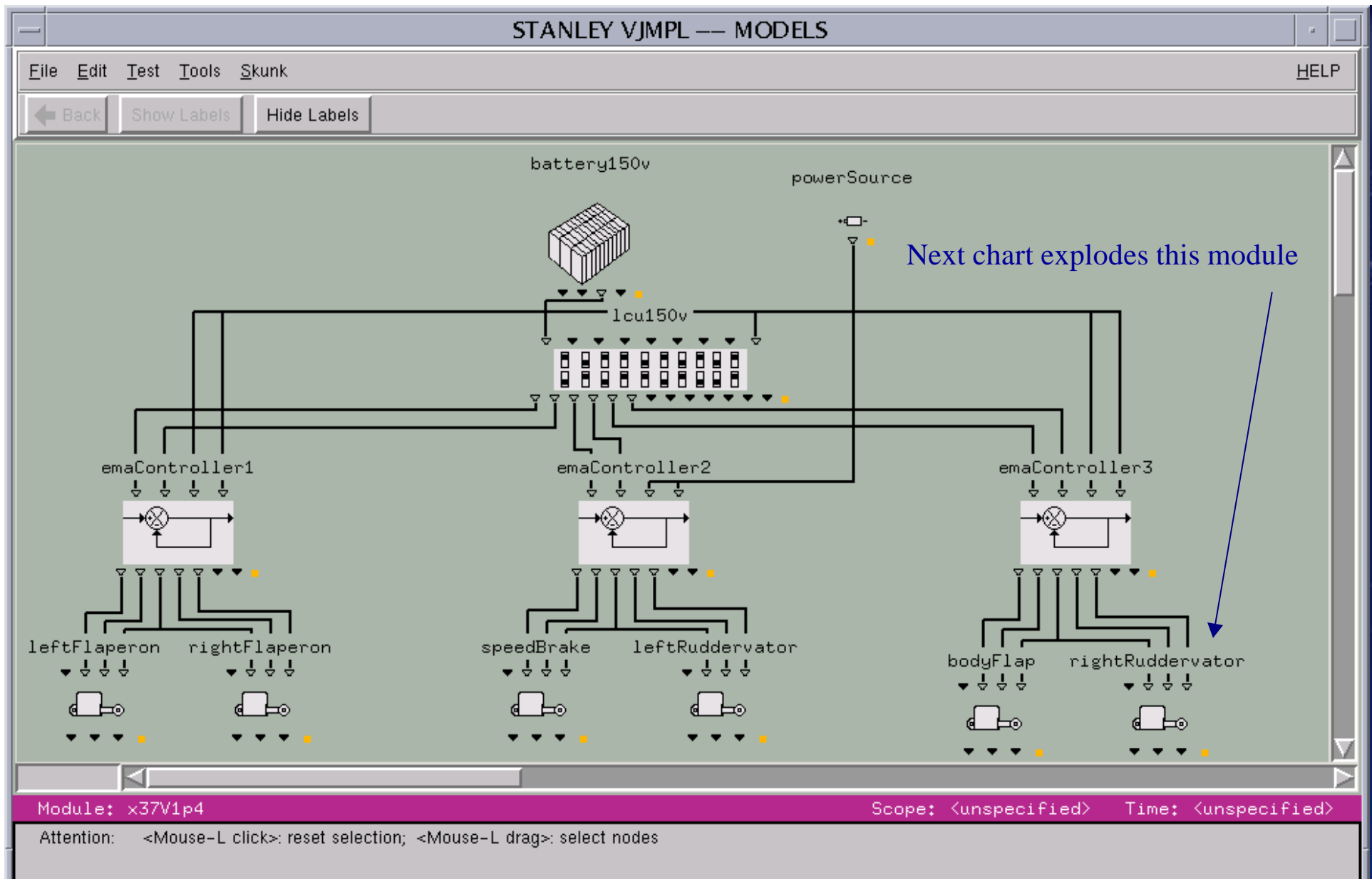
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# Experiment Overview



- ◆ **Monitor and diagnose:**
  - **Electro-Mechanical Actuators (EMA) for control surfaces**
  - **Associated Electrical Power System components**
- ◆ **Real-time fault detection and isolation**
- ◆ **Diagnosis, not prognosis**
- ◆ **Shadow mode only (no reconfiguration commands)**
- ◆ **Generate advisory recommendations for ground ops**

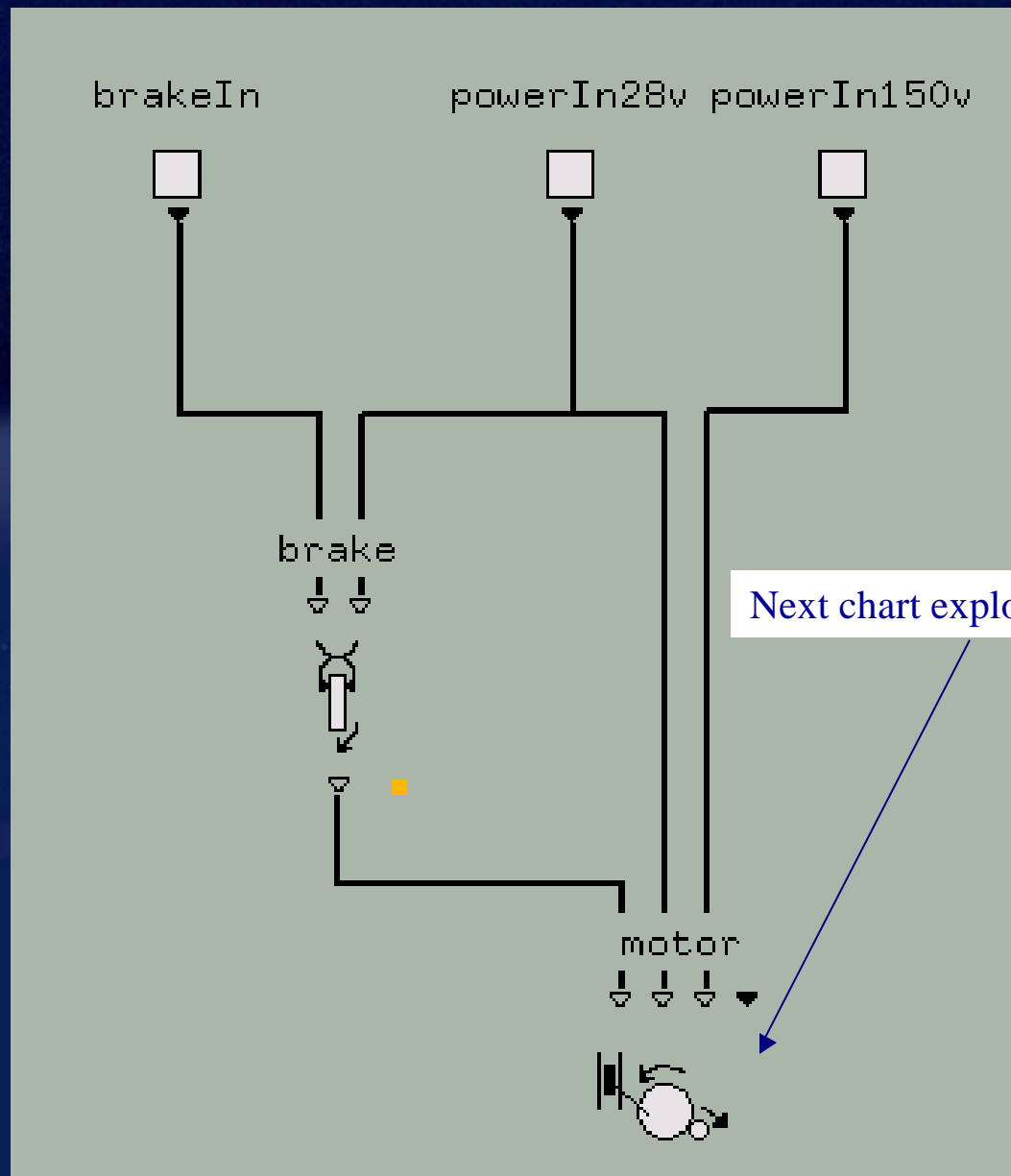




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# Stanley Interface to Livingstone Model



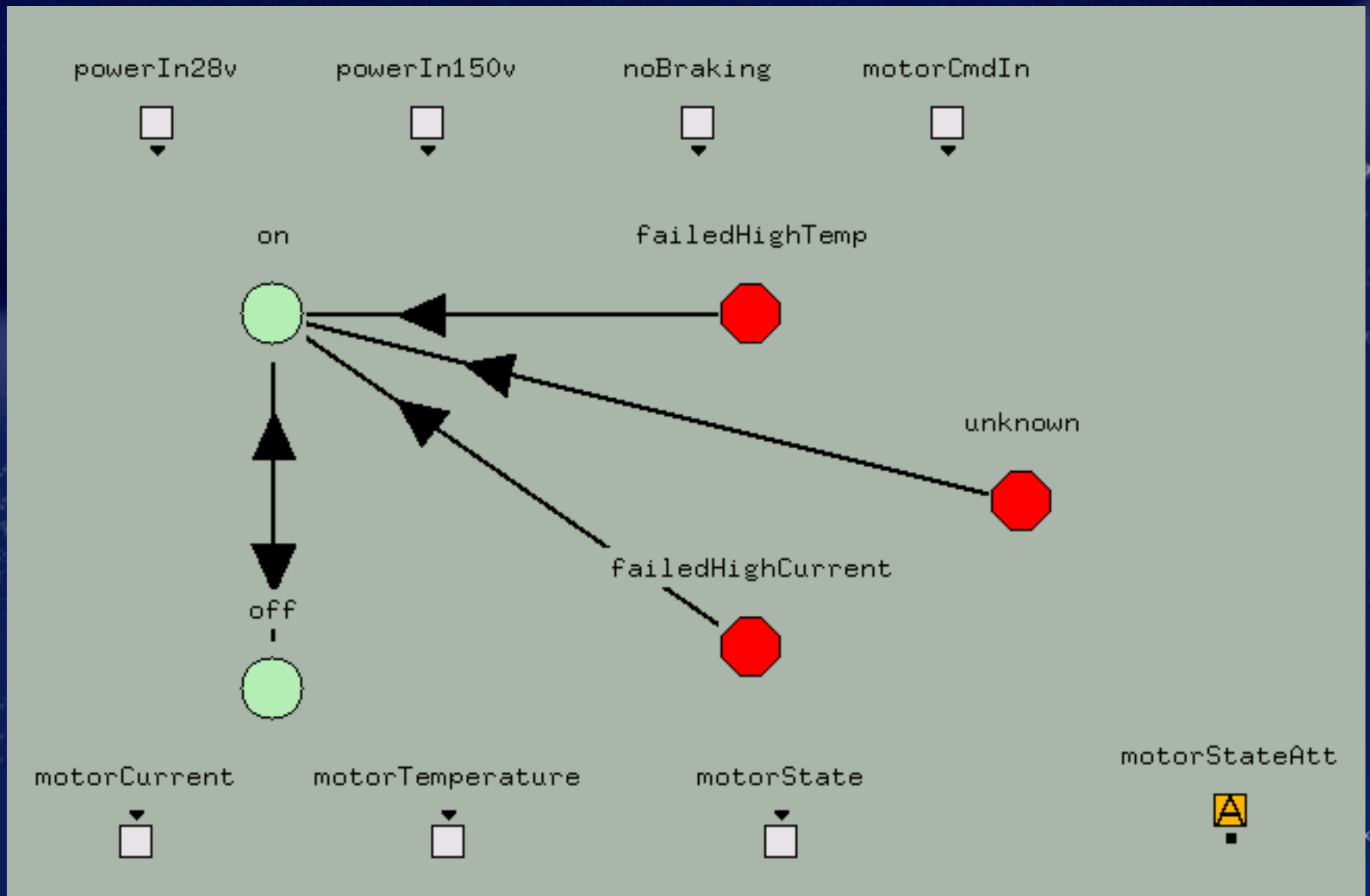


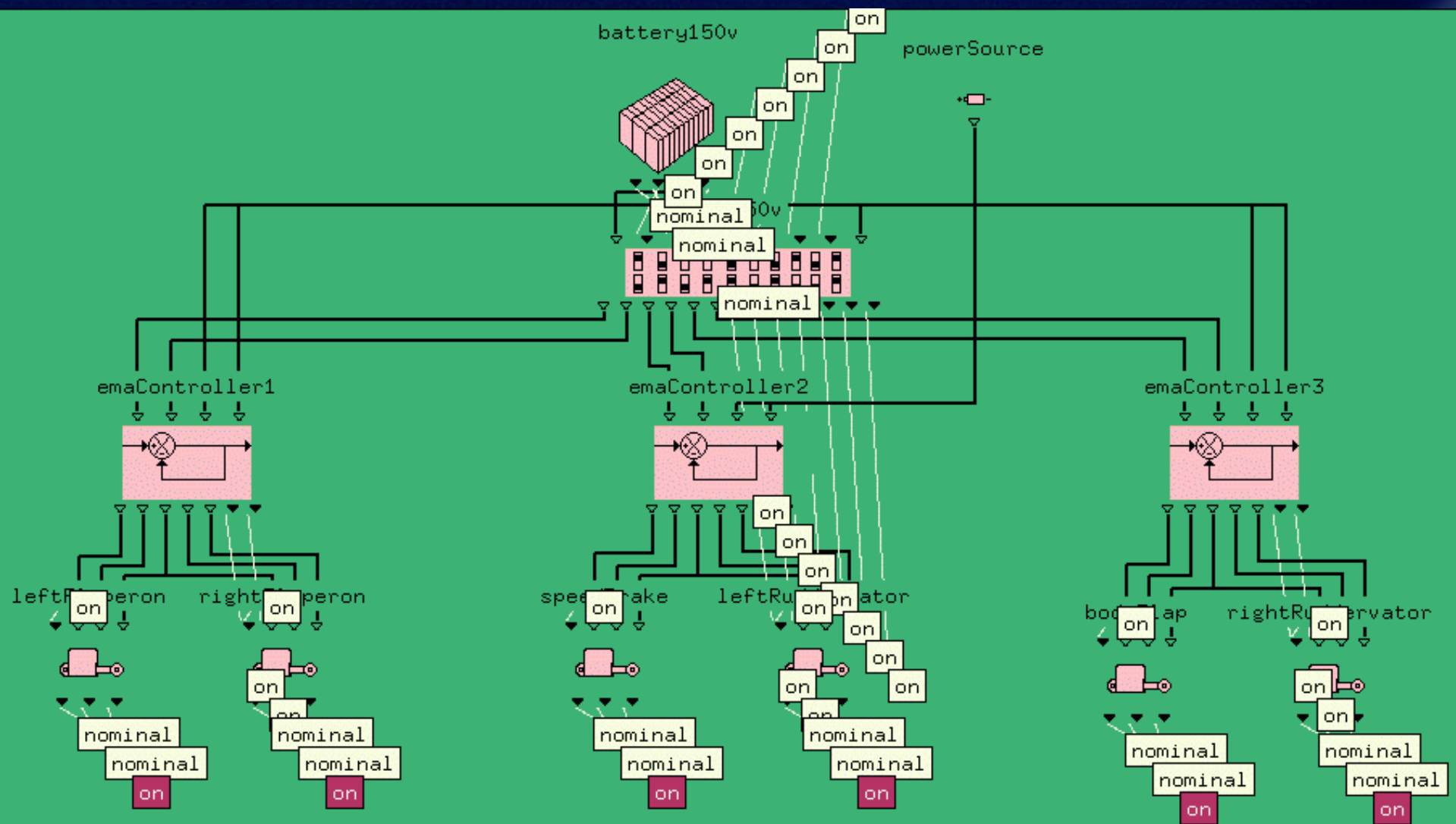
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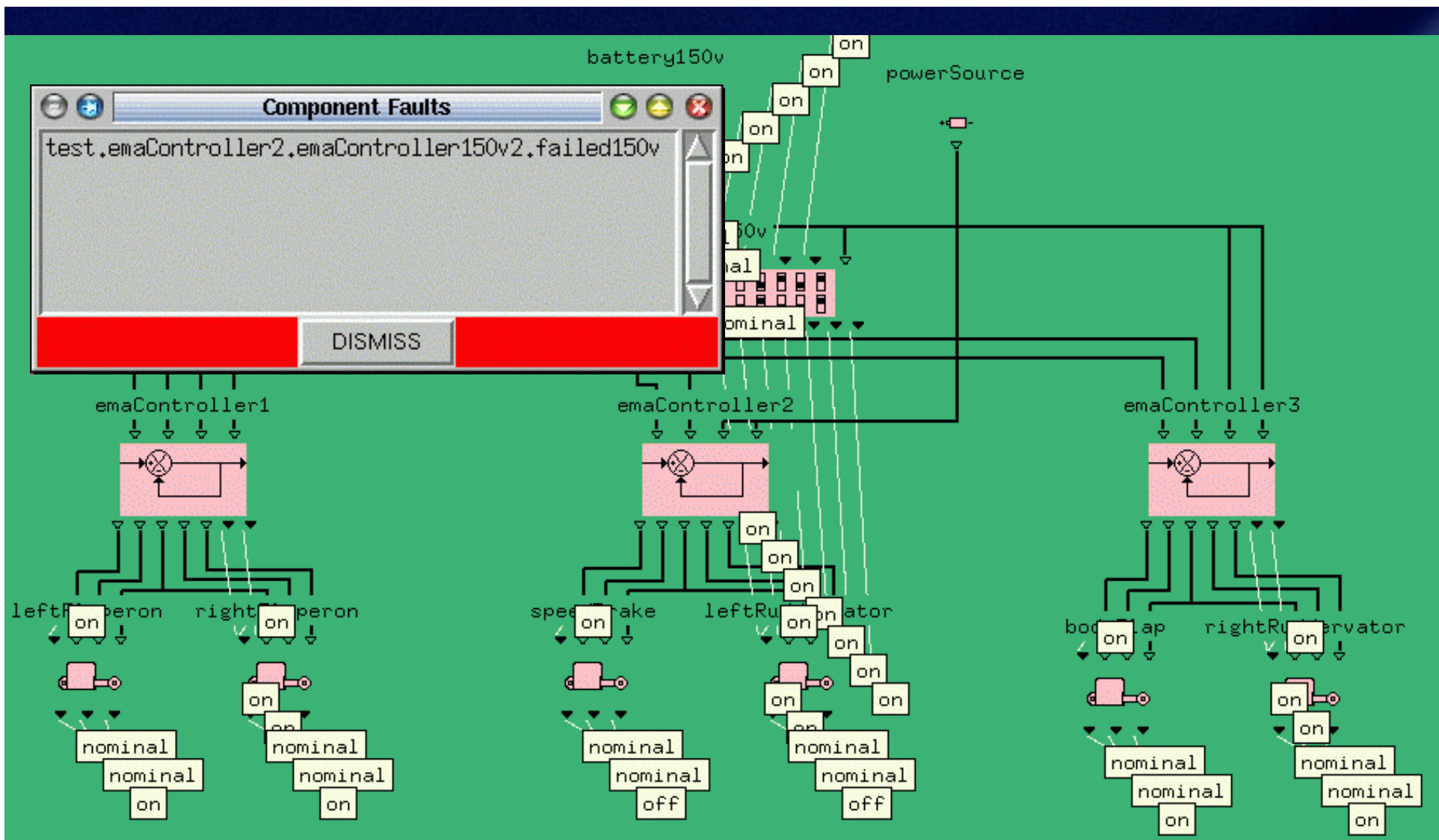
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- ◆ The IVHM Experiment's outputs will be provided as inputs to the X-37 Informed Maintenance (IM) Experiment
- ◆ The IM software will run in the X-37 ground station, processing IVHM Experiment flight data in real-time
- ◆ IM Experiment is being performed by NASA KSC and Boeing
- ◆ The IM Experiment's goal is to reduce the cost and time needed to maintain the vehicle



- ◆ **During the second orbital mission, we will use simulated faults to demonstrate the IVHM software's ability to diagnose them**



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# Simulated Faults



- ◆ **Livingstone ported from LISP to C++ under VxWorks**
- ◆ **Preliminary design of Interface with Boeing software completed**
- ◆ **Knowledge of X-37 subsystems gained from Boeing experts**
- ◆ **First subset of X-37 model completed**



- ◆ **Limited vehicle resources available to IVHM**
  - CPU
  - Memory
  - Telemetry
  - May need to descope experiment to fit resource constraints
- ◆ **Rigorous software safety standards**



- ◆ **03/01/01: Deliver IVHM Ver1 Software to Boeing for B-52-based autonomous approach and landing tests**
- ◆ **03/01/02: Deliver IVHM Ver2 Software to Boeing for orbital flights**



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# Upcoming Milestones



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